

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of:

Strominger et al.

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For: IDENTIFICATION OF SELF AND  
NON-SELF ANTIGENS  
IMPLICATED IN AUTOIMMUNE  
DISEASE

Examiner: M. DiBrino

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**SUBMISSION OF REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION  
AND REPLY TO ADVISORY ACTION**

Sir:

This submission for Request for Continued Examination (RCE) is being filed in reply to the outstanding Advisory Action, mailed August 27, 2004, in connection with the above application. A notice of appeal was filed on September 17, 2004, and was received by the USPTO on September 20, 2004. Thus the RCE is timely filed without extension on Monday, November 22, 2004. Please enter the following amendments:

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 3 of this paper.**Remarks** begin on page 5 of this paper.